

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Page 20, replace the paragraph at lines 5-8 with the following amended paragraph:

~~Fig. 11 is a view~~ Figs. 11(a) to 11(c) are views showing an example of the trimming processing accompanied by the enlargement/reduction, according to an embodiment of the present invention.

Page 20, replace the paragraph at lines 9-11 with the following amended paragraph:

~~Fig. 12 is a view~~ Figs. 12(a) to 12(c) are views showing another example of the trimming processing accompanied by the enlargement/reduction, according to an embodiment of the present invention.

Page 20, replace the paragraph at lines 12-14 with the following amended paragraph:

~~Fig. 13 is a view~~ Figs. 13(a) to 13(c) are views showing an example of the trimming processing accompanied by the rotation, according to an embodiment of the present invention.

Page 20, replace the paragraph at lines 15-17 with the following amended paragraph:

~~Fig. 14 is a view~~ Figs. 14(a) to 14(c) are views showing another example of the trimming processing accompanied by the rotation, according to an embodiment of the present invention.

Page 20, replace the paragraph at lines 18-20 with the following amended paragraph:

~~Fig. 15 is a view~~ Figs. 15(a) to 15(d) are views showing an example of the trimming processing to allow the image protrusion, according to an embodiment of the present invention.

Page 20, replace the paragraph at lines 23-24 with the following amended paragraph:

~~Fig. 17 is a view~~ Figs. 17(a) and 17(b) are views showing the conventional image reading apparatus.

Page 21, replace the paragraph at lines 1-3 with the following amended paragraph:

~~Fig. 18 is a view~~ Figs. 18(a) and 18(b) are views showing an example of an image reading apparatus according to an embodiment of the present invention.

Page 21, replace the paragraph at lines 7-8 with the following amended paragraph:

~~Fig. 20 is a view~~ Figs. 20(a) and 20(b) are views showing a joint portion of a platen cover.